

November 10, 2022 – Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Gardiner Town Board was held this evening at 7 PM. This meeting was conducted as a hybrid - in person and on Zoom. Present were Supervisor Majestic, Councilmembers Carucci, Richman, Walls and Wiegand. There were approximately 10± audience members.

As Supervisor Majestic started the meeting with the Announcements members on ZOOM “intruded” the meeting and began shouting and using profanity to disrupt the meeting. The meeting was immediately closed down from ZOOM and then set up as waiting room entry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 11 – Town Hall & Transfer Station will be closed in observance of Veteran’s Day
November 24, 25 -Town Hall, Highway Dept. and Transfer Station will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Walden Savings Bank has donated a picnic table to the Town Hall. Thank you for the donation.

Supervisor Majestic announced that all three (3) propositions on the November 8 ballot were adopted.

TRANSFER STATION KENNEL

The NYS Dept. of Ag & Markets recently inspected the dog kennel located at the transfer station. The inspector cited a few problems, specifically with the building that will need to be addressed. Board members discussed grants available for dog kennels.

BUILDING INSPECTOR POSITION

Supervisor Majestic announced that the Town is seeking to hire a full-time building inspector/code enforcement office and a second full-time building inspector. For more information contact the Supervisor.

KENNEL LAW

Councilmember Richman requested a review of the recently adopted Kennel Law. Discussion followed about lot size, buffers, a moratorium, the role of the ZBA and variances.

Councilmember Walls suggest Ms Richman look at the document, identify the problems and come up with a solution to correct them. Ms Richman wants to retain attorney David Yaffe to review the law and re-craft it. A rather heated discussion continued with the conclusion that Councilmember Richman would provide a red-lined law identifying her concerns.

ULSTER COUNTY CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PRESENTATION

Gillian Matthews, an educator with Cornell Cooperative Extension gave a power point presentation on ways they can assist the Town to earn points as a Climate Smart Community. Ms Matthews addressed several topics and explained the process for the Town of Gardiner. Councilmember Carucci stated the next step would be to adopt a letter of support, which he would like to be on the December agenda.

NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY Councilmember Carucci summarized a proposal from New York Power Authority (NYPA) for the cost to replace cobra-head lamps with LED lighting

throughout the Town. Bonding is available with a 5% interest rate. Cost adds up to \$64,540 including the bonding. Mr. Carucci stated this will give a savings of \$600 per year. The next step would be to adopt a resolution at the December meeting.

MULTI-BOARD MEETING

In the past the Town Board held a multi-board meeting at the first meeting in December. Due to COVID this has not happened in the last couple of years. Supervisor Majestic asked Board members what their thoughts were on this. It was agreed that December was too busy. Possibly in March.

RESOLUTION DASNY GRANT EXTENSION

Resolution no. 159 –DASNY Grant Extension - Offered by Councilmember Walls

WHEREAS, the Town of Gardiner previously received a grant from the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) for renovation of a municipal pavilion and improvements to a pole barn;

WHEREAS, there remains a fund balance from said grant of approximately \$10,336.00; and

WHEREAS, previous extensions of time have been given by DASNY to the Town to expend said funds and absent a new application for use of said funds the grant will expire at the end of 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to extend the time for availability and use of said grant moneys
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Town Board of the Town of Gardiner hereby authorizes the Town of Gardiner Supervisor and Deputy Supervisor and such other elected Town officials as may be required to secure the continued availability of said grant moneys and to execute and deliver the Questionnaire and Certification and an Amended and Restated Grant Disbursement Agreement and to sign and deliver such other documents and to take such action as may be necessary to secure and extend the town's use of said moneys. Seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried.

MINUTES

Minutes of October 4 and October 17 were approved as written on motion of Councilmember Wiegand, seconded by Councilmember Walls and carried

Councilmember Richman left the meeting at 8:10 PM. Councilmember Walls stepped out of the meeting as well.

SUPERVISORS MONTHLY REPORT

The Supervisor report for the month of October was approved as presented on motion of Councilmember Wiegand, seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried.

CLAIMS

Claims for the month of October were approved on motion of Councilmember Wiegand, seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried. They are listed on Abstract #10 as follows: General Fund, voucher #485-544 \$85,128.14; Highway Fund voucher #162-187 \$89,039.13; Sewer Fund voucher #35-37 \$2,941.49.

BUDGET TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Resolution 160 - Transfer in General Fund – Offered by Councilmember Wiegand

Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2022 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for the transfer of \$100.00 from Acct No. 00.01.1220.403 CE Supervisor Conference to Acct No. 00.01.1220.402 CE Supervisor Mileage, \$181.00 from Acct No. 00.01.1440.460 CE Outside Professional Services to Acct No. 00.01.1440.464 CE Clove Rd, \$1,000.00 from Acct No. 00.01.1620.419 CE PPE to Acct No. 00.01.1620.412 CE Electric, %400.00 from Acct No. 00.06.7110.455 CE Mulching to Acct No. 00.06.7110.441 CE Rail Trail and \$1,000.00 from Acct No. 00.07.8020.403 CE Conference to Acct No. 00.07.8020.103 PS PB Clerk.

Seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried. Councilmember Walls and Richman were absent.

Resolution 161 - Transfer in General Fund – Offered by Councilmember Wiegand

Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2022 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for the transfer of \$157.00 from Acct No. 00.07.8160.470 CE Repairs to Acct No. 00.07.8160.401 CE Misc.

Seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried. Councilmember Walls and Richman were absent.

Resolution 162 – Supplemental Appropriation in General Fund – Offered by Councilmember Wiegand

Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2022 Annual Budget, General Fund, is hereby amended to provide for supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$502.10 in Acct No. 00.01.1910.400 CE Unallocated Insurance, \$230.00 from Acct No. 00.06.7110.463 CE EV Station Electric and \$4,105.00 from Acct No. 00.07.8020.404 CE Engineering/Outside Service. Further Resolved, said moneys to be taken from the General Fund Unreserved Fund Balance. Seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried. Councilmember Walls and Richman were absent.

Resolution 163 - Transfer in Highway Fund – Offered by Councilmember Wiegand

Resolved, pursuant to Section 112, Town Law, the 2022 Annual Budget, Highway Fund, is hereby amended to provide for the transfer of \$17,173.86 from Acct No. 01.04.5110.110 PS DePiero to Acct No. 01.04.5110.127 PS Santana Bravo.

Seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried. Councilmember Walls and Richman were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Wiegand, seconded by Councilmember Carucci and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle L. Mosher
Town Clerk